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## LARGE WAR CLOUD AGAIN APPEARS ON THE HORIZON

**Taft's Desire to Greatly Fortify the Hawaiian Islands is Taken to Mean That He is Anticipating Trouble.**

**This, Taken With the Conference Held at the White House Last Night are Considered as Indicative of Serious Trouble—Viscount Payashi's Recent Remarks in the Japanese House of Representatives are Considered as Indicative of Complications.**

Washington, Jan. 31.—A Japanese war cloud has again appeared upon the horizon. It appeared very large and plain in two important places. At the capitol where the senate has been asked by Secretary of War Taft, to spend more than a half million dollars for defenses in the Hawaiian islands and at the White House, where President Roosevelt and members of the California congressional delegation held a long conference last night, which did not adjourn until the president and secretary of state had attempted to place a padlock upon the mouth of every man present.

The upshots are sensational whiskeys at the capitol that our Hawaiian possession are to be strongly fortified against possible attacks by a foreign foe, the Japanese understood, and the result of the White House powwow is that the president of the San Francisco board of education and superintendent of schools were summoned, hot footed to Washington, by telegraph. The remark made by Viscount Payashi the Japanese foreign minister in the house of representatives of the empire, the other day that in the event of an unfavorable decision in the California case in the anti-Japanese movement that the state will be considered to represent the opinion of the whole United States, and

which will require diplomatic adjustment, is regarded significantly here.

This declaration has caused considerable apprehension in administration circles. It is feared the courts of San Francisco may decide against the president's contention that Japanese children should enjoy the same privileges accorded those of other races. For this reason, it is asserted, the president is desirous of reaching a settlement with Japanese government before the case is adjudicated.

One congressman who was at the White House conference last night said today that while the delegation was bitterly opposed to the president's attitude on the school question, there were considerations which made it advisable that a word of compromise be shown.

The Japanese ambassador had a conference with Secretary of State Root today presumably with reference to pending negotiations.

San Francisco, Jan. 31.—President Lawrence F. Walsh, of the board of education and superintendent of schools, Alfred Roncovieri, will comply with the request of President Roosevelt to proceed to Washington for a conference and will leave for the capitol tonight. They are determined to maintain the position which the board of education has taken in the school matter.

## CONGRESSMAN BURTON HAS A FIGHT ON HIS HANDS

**Bartholdt, Dalzell, Williams and Grosvenor Have Crows to Pick With the Cleveland Man When He Reports the River and Harbor Bill to the House—"Sage of Athens" to be Given Handsome Remembrance.**

Washington, D. C., Jan. 31.—Chairman Burton reported the river and harbor bill to the house just before adjournment yesterday afternoon, and immediately became the object of attack.

The first contest came over a division of the time to be devoted to debate. The committee on rivers and harbors agreed to permit Mr. Burton to control the time. To this there were immediate objections.

Mr. Bartholdt, of Missouri, who is disappointed because the Mississippi river improvement scheme is not endorsed, objected; so did Dalzell, of Pennsylvania, who held out in vain for item No. 7 in the Ohio river; so did John Sharp Williams, the Democratic floor leader, who thought a bad precedent was involved.

General Grosvenor got in feebly by pointing out that a refusal to agree now would tend to place the control of the time in the hands of the chairman of the committee.

No agreement was reached, and the bill went to the committee of the whole, with Representative Currier of New Hampshire presiding.

Mr. Currier will therefore control the time.

Mr. Burton made it clear today that he will not remain quiet under attack or abuse. He sent a telegram to the house of the Missouri legislature which had censured him for failing to support the Mississippi river improvement. His advice to the Missouri statesman was to be sure of their facts before attacking him.

One of the finest collections of silverware ever exhibited at the capitol now reposes in the room of the House committee on private land claims. The silver includes huge pieces of knives, spoons, forks, tea spoons, bowls and loving cups, all solid silver. Many of these sets are valued as high as \$1000.

The members of the house have subscribed about \$12000, and they intend to make a selection from the silverware now on exhibition and present it to Representative Grosvenor of Ohio as a mark of the esteem and appreciation in which he has been held during his long service in the lower branch of congress.

### PITTSBURG REJOICES OVER BURTON'S DEFEAT

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 31.—The report that Theodore Burton, chairman of the committee on rivers and harbors in congress is to be retired, is hailed here with delight, as Burton is regarded as the stumbling block to the improvement of the Ohio river. Ernest F. Acheson, ranking member of the committee, favors improvement of the Ohio and it is hoped here he will be Burton's successor.

### ROOSEVELT CONSIDERS APPOINTING A NEGRO

Washington, Jan. 31.—It was admitted in administration circles today that the president is considering the advisability of appointing a negro collector of customs at Cincinnati to succeed Anna Smith Jr. The names of Ralph Tyler, of Columbus and George Hoyer, of Cincinnati, formerly member of the state legislature, have been suggested.

### THEATER TRUST LEADERS ARE UNDER INDICTMENT

New York, Jan. 31.—The grand jury today returned indictments against Marc Klaw, A. L. Erlanger, Basil Nixon, J. P. Zimmerman, Charles Frohman and A. L. Hayden, leaders of the supposed theatrical trust, charging them with conspiracy. The complainant is David Belasco, an independent theatrical manager.

The gist of the indictments charge the men with conspiring to injure the trade of the independent theatres. Hayden and Frohman are now in Europe.

### DEJURY AND DOWN ARE FREED BY THE JURY

Pittsburg, Pa., Jan. 31.—A verdict of acquittal was rendered this morning by the jury in the case of Lieutenant Ralph W. DeJury and private John Down, who were tried jointly for killing William S. Crony in the arsenal at Lawrenceville, three years ago.

### ACID THROWN UPON BANQUETING STUDENTS

Appleton, Wis., Jan. 31.—After throwing sulphuric acid into a banquet hall that had been darkened by the cutting of the electric wires, and burning five of a party of 100 Lawrence university students at a hotel at Kaukauna last night, several Kaukauna ruffians kidnaped Leland Nye, and were in the act of applying a coat of tar to Nye when interrupted by police and fellow students. The college students had driven to Kaukauna for a banquet, and were attacked by 20 ruffians.

## SENATOR RAYNOR ASSAILS "EXECUTIVE USURPATION"

**In an Address Before the Senate He Criticizes President Roosevelt, Pointing Out That a Dangerous Precedent has Been Established—Claims Our Best Traditions are Trampled Down.**

Washington, Jan. 31.—"Executive Usurpation" was the subject of a speech delivered in the senate this afternoon by Raynor, of Maryland. After disclaiming any intention to assail the president personally or mark the senator proceeded to show that the present occupant of the White House, although influenced by honest motives, "has nevertheless set an example for future presidents and future generations, destructive of our best traditions, that challenges law and ignores the limits of the constitution."

He asserted that the president is mistaken in assuming it his duty to interfere with congress when its proceedings don't happen to comport with his own ideas of what is best for the people. "In pursuance of this purpose," he declared, "we have now for the first time in our history, a government practically conducted in nearly all of its departments, with the exception of the judiciary, and even there the encroachment is visible, by the chief executive. His standards and ideals may be right, and I am satisfied that they are in a number of instances, but I sincerely believe the safety and welfare of the republic is in danger if the blight of such a policy be allowed to become ingrafted upon our institutions."

"Raynor then discussed various instances illustrative of this statement, citing up the first Santo Domingo mission, the lock canal measure, the most wonderful exhibition of the president's power over congress, and asked for the names of congressmen who weekly submitted to the president's will. "Even the minor senator from Ohio," he said, "fell a victim to the magic power of the love charm suggested at the laboratory of the White House. He denounced the president's action as refusing the appeal of Andrew Schley and engaged that case with the Dreyfus affair of France, or if Maryland senator was Schley's chief counsel during the court of inquiry. Raynor closed his speech with an eloquent exhortation on the needfulness of the constitution."

SURE TO DO THE WORK.



Nicholson: "Hang it all, that's the third time I've missed that bear! Do any of you happen to have, er—a bomb?"

—Jugend (Munich).

## TWO MORE JURORS IN THE THAW CASES ARE EXCUSED

**Escapades of Defendant Will be Aired in Court to Show That He is no Better Than the Man He Killed.**

**Distict Attorney Jerme Refuses to State to the Court His Reasons for Dismissing the Two Jurors—The Dismissal Revives the Rumor That Money has Been Proffered to the Talesmen—The Entire Thaw Party was Back in the Court Room This Morning—Eleven Men in the Box.**

New York, Jan. 31.—Two jurors in the trial of Harry Thaw, who were suddenly dropped, when court convened today, renewed the reports in the criminal courts building of efforts having been made to tamper with the talesmen. The two jurors excused today from further service are David Walker, a son of John Brisson Walker, an editor, and Louis Haas, agent for a candy factory. Jerome, in making Justice Fitzgerald to excuse the jurors said he deemed it best not to make known his reasons for the move. Haas is said to have political associations which Jerome feels might interfere with his finding a fair verdict. Walker admitted under examination that he knew both the Thaw and White families slightly.

All members of the Thaw party were in court today. Evelyn Thaw was in the same depressed spirit which has characterized her demeanor since the opening of the trial. The young wife has become very much broken and Miss Mae Kenzie said today that she felt much alarmed over Evelyn's condition.

All doubt that the trial would bar the past records of all of the principals, was dispelled today when it was learned that assistant district attorney Marshall, has been detailed to go to Pittsburg and investigate the many escapades in which Thaw is said to have figured. It is presumed that the purpose of the prosecution is to seek information tending to show that Thaw is no better than the man whose life he took.

The new panel of one hundred talesmen is ordered to report to court tomorrow. This makes a total of 500 talesmen called.

Oscar A. Plok, aged 46, a salesman, married, and Wilbur F. Steele, aged 33, a manufacturer were chosen as jurors this morning. There are now 11 men in the box.

## PRESIDENT'S SINCERITY

**Said to be Proven by Fact That He has Stoken in Railroad Affected by His Policy.**

Washington, Jan. 31.—Roosevelt's sincerity was not greatly perturbed over the statements made in Wall Street that he is owner of stock in the Great Northern, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Manitoba railroads.

The corporation was sold recently by Attorney General Young, of Minnesota, for payment to the state of one per cent of the gross earnings which he alleged was wrongfully withheld. According to Roosevelt's friends, his sincerity of purpose is emphasized by the knowledge that he is an investor in the very properties which are likely to suffer by reason of his official activities along this line.

## TAFT WANTS TO FORTIFY THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

**The Secretary of War Urges Expenditure of \$600,000 on Fortifications in Pearl Harbor but He Neglects and Refuses to State Why He Considers the Improvement Necessary.**

Washington, Jan. 31.—"There is every reason why the fortifications should be made ready."

Secretary Taft thus expresses himself in an urgent letter to Senator Allison, chairman of the committee on appropriations renewing its request for an additional appropriation of \$500,000 for the purpose of fortifying Pearl harbor, Hawaii.

The bill the senate passed a bill for fortifications which contained an allowance of but \$100,000, which is \$250,000 less than the secretary of war asked for. There is now \$250,000 available under last year's appropriations and it is the secretary's desire to expend at least \$600,000 for fortifications in Hawaii. But he refrains from stating in his letter any reason why he deems it necessary to immediately fortify the Hawaiian islands.

Secretary Taft in his letter to Senator Allison says: "I write to urge on you that the appropriation for Pearl Harbor be made \$600,000 instead of \$100,000. We can certainly expend this in the next year, and there is every reason why the fortifications of Hawaii should be made ready. Will you not bring this to the attention of your committee, and the enclosed statement from the national defense board, recently appointed, shows the fact. I send it to you in the suggestion of Senator Perkins."

The report of the national defense board, referred to by the secretary was made to the president and by him transmitted to congress a year ago. In sending it, the president himself strongly endorsed the board's recommendations, which included a sweeping revision of the plans of the old Engineer board, designed to completely modernize the coast defense plans.

The board makes a strong argument for the construction of 14-inch guns, a type now unknown in the service, instead of the present 12-inch guns for the fortification of these points, in view of the wide channels to be protected.

"The defense board says: 'Pearl Harbor is of such strategic and Honolulu of such commercial importance that the national coast defense board recommends for such a first-class defense, stating that these places cannot be held unless fortified before the outbreak of war. Today not a gun is mounted to defend either. They are related in such a way that the fall of one involves the fall of the other. Defenses should be immediately installed in both places.'

### CARRIE WAS BARRED FROM THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington, Jan. 31.—Carrie Nation attended by two friends called at the executive office of the White House.

She was denied admission and then began to harangue the crowd which had gathered regarding the treatment offered her.

After speaking about a minute she voluntarily retired.

### NEWSPAPER PUBLISHERS ELECT OLD OFFICERS

Columbus, Ohio, Jan. 31.—For good services during the past year all the officers of the Ohio Associated Editors were re-elected at the closing session held yesterday at the Neil house. The officers are: President, John T. Mack; Secretary, H. L. Boush; East Liverpool; treasurer, J. P. Chey; Xenia; executive committee, J. R. Alexander, Zanesville; Frank Harper, Mt. Vernon; B. M. Reitzel, Warren.

## LONDON PAPERS

**Endeavor to Turn Public Sentiment Against the United States.**

London, Jan. 31.—A decided change in sentiment toward the United States in consequence of the Kingston incident, has been manifested by a part of the London press. The morning Post asserts that stories of abuse of Americans are plainly exaggerations of sensational American newspaper men. When the full story is known it hints that justification for Sweetnam's action may be found.